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MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE of the INTERNATIONAL MISSIONARY COUNCIL

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3. Members Present. The Secretaries presented the list of members elected by the constituent national bodies and present in the meeting. The Committee was constituted as follows:

Société Belge de Missions Protestantes au Congo	M. le Pasteur Henri Anet
National Christian Council of China	Henry T. Hodgkin, M.D. Mr. S. C. Leung
Conseil Protestant du Congo	Rev. R. D. Bedinger, D.D.
Deutscher Evangelischer Missionsbund	Rev. Prof. Julius Richter, D.D.
Conference of Missionary Societies in Great Britain and Ireland	Rev. W. Wilson Cash, D.S.O., O.B.E. Mrs. Robert Forgan Mr. F. H. Hawkins Mr. Kenneth Maclennan Rev. C. E. Wilson
National Christian Council of India, Burma and Ceylon	Mr. K. T. Paul, O.B.E. Miss Alice B. Van Doren, M.A.
National Christian Council of Japan	Rev. Akira Ebizawa Rev. D. B. Schneder, D.D., LL.D.
Korean National Christian Council	J. D. Van Buskirk, M.D.
Committee on Coöperation in Latin America	Rev. Prof. Erasmo Braga Rev. Samuel Guy Inman, M.A., LL. D. Rev. Vicente Mendoza
Near East Christian Council	Mrs. George Herbert Huntington Miss Constance Padwick
Netherlands, Commissie van Advies	Baron C. W. Th. van Boetzelaer van Dubbledam, D.D
Netherlands India	Rev. N. A. C. Slotemaker de Bruine, D.D.
Foreign Missions Conference of North America	Miss Helen B. Calder Rev. Ralph E. Diffendorfer, D.D. The Rt. Rev. James Endicott, D.D., LL.D. Rev. James H. Franklin, D.D., LL.D. Prof. Kenneth S. Latourette, Ph.D. Mrs. Evelyn Riley Nicholson, L.H.D. Robert E. Speer, D.D., LL.D.
Missionary Council of Northern Europe	Rev. Einar Amdahl
National Christian Council of the Philippine Islands	Rev. James B. Rodgers, D.D.
Association of Missionary Societies in Switzerland	Rev. A. Koechlin, D.D.
Officers: Chairman	John R. Mott, LL.D.
Vice-Chairman	Rev. C. Y. Cheng, D.D.
Treasurer	Mr. James M. Speers
Secretaries	J. H. Oldham, M.A. Rev. William Paton, M.A. Rev. A. L. Warnshuis, D.D.
Assistant Secretary	Miss B. D. Gibson, M.A.

No representatives were present from the National Missionary Council of Australia, Société des Missions Evangéliques de Paris, the National Missionary Council of New Zealand, and the Missionary Societies of South Africa.

4. **National Christian Council of Siam.** The Chairman made a brief statement regarding the organization of the National Christian Council of Siam. It was agreed to refer the question of the recognition of the National Christian Council of Siam as a member of the International Missionary Council to a special committee consisting of Dr. Speer, Mr. Cash, and Dr. Richter to report at a later session. Pending their report, it was agreed to recognize the representative of the National Christian Council of Siam, the Rev. Roderick M. Gillies, D.D., as a member of the Committee. (*See also* Minute 11.)

5. **Other Members.** On nomination of the officers, the Committee voted to recognize as members of the Committee the following persons chosen to represent countries (or peoples) not otherwise represented, namely:

Samuel Boon Itt, M.D. of Siam
Rev. J. S. Conning, D.D. for Missions to the Jews
C. T. Loram, Ph.D. of South Africa

Also on nomination of the officers, the Committee voted to recognize as consulting members of the Committee:

Reverend Bishop Francis J. McConnell, Ph.D., D.D., LL.D.
Rev. Prof. Luther Allan Weigle, Ph.D., D.D., Litt.D.
P. H. J. Lerrigo, M.D.
Rev. Lee Vrooman of Turkey
Miss B. C. Oliver, M.D. of India

It was also voted that the Rev. Robert Wilder, D.D., Secretary of the Near East Christian Council, be invited to attend the sessions of the Committee Meeting. Dr. Lerrigo was prevented by illness from attending the meeting.

6. **Minute Secretaries.** On nomination of the officers, the Committee elected Mr. Leslie B. Moss and Miss Esther Strong as Minute Secretaries.

7. **Sub-Committees.** The following sub-committees were appointed:

FINANCE
Mr. Hawkins, *Chairman*

Mr. Amdahl
Baron van Boetzelaer
Dr. Diffendorfer
Dr. Endicott
Dr. Lerrigo
Mr. Maclennan
Mr. Moss
Mrs. Nicholson
Mr. Paul
Mr. Speers

INTERNATIONAL REVIEW OF MISSIONS
Dr. Latourette, *Chairman*

Dr. Boon Itt
Miss Calder
Mr. Cash
Dr. Endicott
Mrs. Forgan
Mr. Koechlin
Mr. Mendoza
Miss Padwick
Dr. Schneder

Religious Education

Dr. Hodgkin, *Chairman*

Dr. Braga
Mrs. Forgan
Mrs. Huntington
Dr. Loram
Mr. Mendoza
Mrs. Nicholson
Dr. Richter
Dr. Schneder
Miss Van Doren
Mr. Vrooman
Dr. Weigle

Younger and Older Churches

Dr. Cheng, *Chairman*

Mr. Amdahl
Dr. Bedinger
Baron van Boetzelaer
Dr. Boon Itt
Dr. Braga
Mr. Cash
Mr. Ebizawa
Dr. Endicott
Dr. Franklin
Dr. Gillies
Mr. Koechlin
Mrs. Nicholson
Dr. Oliver
Mr. Paul
Dr. Rodgers
Dr. Speer
Dr. Van Buskirk
Mr. Wilson

Christian Literature

Dr. Diffendorfer, *Chairman*

Mr. Bedinger
Dr. Cheng
Dr. Conning
Mr. Ebizawa
Dr. Franklin
Dr. Hodgkin
Dr. Inman
Mr. Maclennan
Miss Padwick
Dr. Richter
Dr. Van Buskirk
Mr. Wilson

Department of Social and Industrial Research

Bishop McConnell, *Chairman*

M. Anet
Dr. Inman
Dr. Lerrigo
Mr. Leung
Mr. Maclennan
Dr. Richter
Dr. Slotemaker

Religious Liberty in Moslem Countries

Mr. Cash, *Chairman*

Miss Calder
Mrs. Huntington
Miss Padwick
Dr. Speer
Mr. Slotemaker
Mr. Vrooman
Dr. Wilder

Educational Commission to India

Mr. Paul, *Chairman*

Miss Calder
Mr. Cash
Dr. Diffendorfer
Mrs. Forgan
Mr. Koechlin
Mr. Maclennan
Dr. Oliver
Dr. Speer
Mr. Speers
Miss Van Doren
Mr. Wilson

EDUCATIONAL COMMISSION TO JAPAN

Dr. Schneder, *Chairman*

Miss Calder
Mr. Cash
Dr. Diffendorfer
Mr. Ebizawa
Dr. Endicott
Dr. Franklin
Bishop McConnell
Mrs. Nicholson
Dr. Speer
Mr. Speers

PORTUGUESE COLONIES

Dr. Loram, *Chairman*

M. Anet
Dr. Braga
Miss Calder
Dr. Diffendorfer
Dr. Endicott
Mrs. Forgan
Dr. Koechlin
Mr. Wilson

8. Program. The Chairman on behalf of the officers made a statement regarding a program for the work of the Committee at this meeting.

Dr. Cheng led the closing devotional services.

Second Session, Friday, July 12th, 9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m.

The service of worship and intercession in the chapel was led by Dr. Hodgkin.

9. Report of the Chairman. Dr. Mott reported on his trip to the Far East during the last winter and spring. He first characterized the situation throughout Asia, developing the following points:

(1) The economic situation is most serious particularly in India, in large parts of China, in Japan, and in Korea.
(2) The spirit of nationalism is more pronounced and aggressive and is revealing more sense of direction than at any time, both within and without the Christian community.
(3) Although there are still many unfavorable aspects in the sphere of international and interracial relations, the outlook, on the whole, is more favorable than it has been for years.
(4) Organized Christianity is working under very heavy handicaps (a) due primarily to the divisions especially among Protestant bodies, (b) due to the associations of the Christian agencies of the West with so-called Christian powers, and (c) due to inadequate leadership of the Christian forces. The Roman Catholic Communion, however, is growing in numbers, activity and prestige.
(5) Notwithstanding these handicaps, the influence of Christianity is becoming markedly more widespread, penetrating, and transforming.
(6) There are signs on every hand of marked quickening of the social conscience and of more manifold and serious applications of the teachings of Christ.
(7) A larger synthesis is being developed on the part of the varied altruistic and constructive forces at work in Asia.
(8) The anti-religious movement, especially in the form of communistic propaganda from the Russian base, has by no means spent its force.
(9) There are most encouraging evidences of a greatly improved psychology among the Christian leaders and workers in the various parts of Asia.
(10) The influence of the Jerusalem Meeting is markedly in evidence from one end of Asia to the other. It has evidently exerted more extensive and profound influence on Christian leaders and even on many educated non-Christians than any previous world religious gathering.

Dr. Mott next presented a number of concrete proposals and projects of special interest and concern to the International Missionary Council.

Among these he indicated his conviction that the Council is summoned to the following tasks:

(1) To coördinate its thinking, planning, and action with that of the Christian workers throughout Asia on the main constructive proposals of the Jerusalem Meeting.
(2) To continue to deal in a world context with the message as proclaimed at Jerusalem; and to this end, to help multiply the number of apologetic voices and pens and to afford them adequate opportunities for expression.
(3) To bring religious education as conceived by the Jerusalem Meeting into the rising indigenous churches.
(4) To give to other fields of Asia similar assistance with reference to their higher Christian educational program to that given in recent years to China and the Near East.
(5) To follow through the implications of the findings of the Jerusalem Meeting with reference to relations between the younger and older churches, particularly with reference to the process of devolution.
(6) To take advantage of the unmistakable, widespread interest and concern in meeting the tremendous claims of the rural field.
(7) To give effect to the action taken at the Jerusalem Meeting concerning a Department of Social and Industrial Research and Counsel.
(8) To heed the summons to a larger, and more intensive and vital evangelism, with particular emphasis at every point on the qualitative aspect.
(9) To undertake a comprehensive, thorough evaluation of Mass Movements in India.
(10) To make a more masterly effort to give the subject of the preparation and use of Christian literature a place commensurate with its importance as well as with that held by other missionary means and methods.
(11) To foster various well-conceived plans for augmenting the leadership of the Christian forces, not only in numbers but also, and more especially, in quality — both in the East and in the West.
(12) To set in motion influences which will result in liberating a vastly greater lay force.
(13) To foster and make much more truly and helpfully operative the conception of the world Christian mission as a sharing enterprise.
(14) To strengthen the hands of the various National Christian Councils, particularly those recently organized, and also some which have just been reorganized.
(15) To keep in intelligent touch with the movement toward Christian unity with reference to furthering its highest development. In this connection attention was called to the recent developments in connection with the United Church Movement of South India and to the Church of Christ in China.

The meeting was adjourned after prayer led by Dr. Richter.

Third Session, Friday, July 12th, 8.00–9.30 p.m.

The session was opened with a hymn and prayer by M. Anet.

10. India and the Near East. Mr. Paton made a report on the situation in India and the Near East. A discussion followed in which Dr. Richter, Mrs. Huntington, Mr. Vrooman, Miss Padwick, Dr. Wilder, Mr. Cash and Dr. Slotemaker participated. (*See also* Minute 19.)

11. National Christian Council of Siam. Dr. Speer, for the Committee appointed to consider the request of the National Christian Council of Siam for admission to the International Missionary Council, presented a report, and it was voted to enrol the National Christian Council of Siam among the constituent bodies of the International Missionary Council with a representation of one member on the Committee of the Council, with the expectation that if in the future a Christian Council of Southeastern Asia is formed,

the representation of the National Christian Council of Siam in the Committee of the International Missionary Council will be included in that of this larger regional Council. (*See* Minute 4.)

The session was closed with the benediction pronounced by Dr. Warnshuis.

Fourth Session, Saturday, July 13th, 9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m.

The service of worship and intercession in the chapel was led by Mr. Paul.

12. **The Christian Message.** Mr. Oldham opened the discussion with an address on the need for a statement of the Christian apologetic for today. The discussion was participated in by Dr. Wilder, Mr. K. T. Paul, Miss Van Doren, Dr. Diffendorfer, Mrs. Forgan, Dr. Richter, Dean Weigle, M. Anet, Dr. Inman, Dr. van Boetzelaer, Dr. Cheng, Dr. Hodgkin and Dr. Speer. (*See also* Minute 29.)

The Committee voted to have Mr. Oldham's statement printed for wide circulation.[1]

Fifth Session, Saturday, July 13th, 8.00–9.30 p.m.

The session opened with the singing of a hymn and prayer led by Dr. Franklin.

13. **Missions in Rural Districts.** Mr. Paul made a statement regarding missions in rural districts in India.

Dr. Warnshuis made a report of what had been done by the officers to carry out the instructions of the Jerusalem Meeting to "employ a competent staff member to give full time to the service of rural missions in all parts of the world." (*World Mission of Christianity*, p. 62.)

Upon the initiative of the Council's officers, and under the auspices of the Carnegie Corporation, Dr. Kenyon L. Butterfield has visited South Africa during the past year.

The discussion was participated in by Dr. Loram, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Ebizawa, Dr. Cheng, Dr. Hodgkin, Miss Van Doren, Dr. Boon Itt, Dr. Van Buskirk, Dr. Diffendorfer, and Mr. Paton.

14. **Invitation to Dr. Butterfield.** It was voted to refer to the Finance Committee for favorable consideration the question of an invitation to Dr. Kenyon L. Butterfield to visit two or more countries in Asia, under the auspices of the Council, in order to aid the churches and missions in the development of their work in rural districts. (*See also* Minute 40.)

After a period of silent prayer, Mr. Wilson led in the closing prayer.

Sunday, July 14th

There were no business sessions held on Sunday. Miss Padwick led the service of worship and intercession in the chapel in the morning at 9.30.

[1] This statement has been published under the title: *The New Christian Adventure*. Copies may be obtained from the Council's offices in New York or London. Prices, 5 cents (3d.) per copy; $2.00 (8s.) for 100 copies.

15. **"Sharing Our Concerns."** In the evening, at 7.30, the Committee gathered for the mutual sharing of their burdens. In this session, as throughout the whole meeting, the greatest emphasis was on the heartfelt need for a renewed and larger direct evangelism.

Sixth Session, Monday, July 15th, 9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m.

The service of worship and intercession in the chapel was led by Dr. Koechlin.

16. **Relations between the Younger and the Older Churches.** The discussion was based upon three questions. Dr. Cheng opened the discussion of question (1) What can the older churches do to further the evangelistic plans of the younger churches? There followed in discussion: Mr. Paul, Mr. Ebizawa, Mr. Wilson, Professor Braga, Mr. Bedinger.

(2) What can the International Missionary Council, with the collaboration of the National Christian Councils, do to help most in securing and training the ablest youth for Christian service? This discussion was opened by Miss Alice Van Doren, followed by Professor Latourette, Mr. Leung, Dr. Diffendorfer, Dr. Franklin, and Mr. Cash.

(3) What, if anything, can the International Missionary Council do to help determine what uses of money on the part of the older churches tend most to the strengthening of the younger churches and what uses tend to retard their growth? Mr. Hawkins opened the discussion and was followed by Dr. Boon Itt, Dr. Speer, Mrs. Forgan, Dr. Van Buskirk, Dr. Warnshuis. (*See also* Minute 31.)

The session then adjourned.

Seventh Session, Monday, July 15th, 8.00–9.30 p.m.

The evening session was opened with the singing of a hymn and prayer led by Mr. Moss.

17. **Christian Missions among the Jews.** A presentation of this subject was made by Dr. Conning, followed by brief statements by Mr. Maclennan and Mrs. Nicholson.

Reference was made to the Minutes of the Jerusalem Meeting of the International Missionary Council, page 65, in which in particular definite provision was made for the appointment of an international committee by the Chairman after consultation with groups and individuals in various countries. The Chairman stated that in accordance with that action he had appointed the following committee:

Rev. James M. Black, D.D., Chairman, with the following British members: Rev. C. H. Gill, Rev. Frank J. Exley, Sir Leon Levison, Rev. J. A. C. Mackellar, Mr. Kenneth Maclennan; Rev. J. Macdonald Webster, D.D.; and the following North American members: Rev. J. S. Conning, D.D., Vice-Chairman, Rev. Bishop Thomas Nicholson, Canon S. Gould, Rev. Henry Einspruch.

It is understood that the Chairman will appoint representatives from the continent of Europe on this committee and, if desirable, he may add names to the British and American sections.

The following resolutions were reported by the sub-committee:

1. The committee having oversight of work for the Jews shall be named "The International Committee on the Christian Approach to the Jews."

2. The officers of the Council, in conference with the Committee, shall be authorized to make such changes and additions in the membership of the Committee as will provide for the widest possible representation within a total membership of fifteen.

3. The regional sections of the Committee shall be at liberty to enlarge the membership of each group, if considered desirable, so as to provide for wider representation and a fuller consideration of the problems of the area concerned.

4. A central office for work among the Jews shall be set up by the International Missionary Council, as soon as adequate funds for the purpose are available, and a secretary shall be appointed for the following work:

(a) To make a study of the Jewish field so that upon its results may be based wise policies and an effective program.

(b) To coördinate the work of various agencies throughout the world so as to prevent overlapping of effort, provide for the effective occupancy of neglected areas, and to become means of communication for the sharing of knowledge, experience, and methods.

(c) To foster the production and circulation of literature for Jews adapted to present-day needs, especially literature for Christians to emphasize Christian responsibility.

(d) To confer with other interested agencies with a view to stimulating action in the various Christian denominations to enlist local churches in a ministry to the Jews in their parishes.

(e) To enlist the coöperation of such agencies as the Y. M. C. A., the Y. W. C. A., and Student Christian Movements in specific service for the Jews.

5. The matter of financial provision for giving effect to these resolutions shall be referred to the Finance Committee.

6. Until a Secretary is available, these matters shall be referred to the officers of the Council.

The Committee voted to adopt these resolutions.

After a period of silent prayer, the session was adjourned with the benediction pronounced by Mr. Paton.

Eighth Session, Tuesday, July 16th, 9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m.

The service of worship and intercession in the chapel was led by Dr. Speer.

18. International Review of Missions. Professor Latourette presented the report for the sub-committee on the *International Review of Missions*. The report was adopted as follows:

The sub-committee expressed its hearty approval and appreciation of the *Review* as now conducted. In particular it approved of continuing the

annual survey. This it felt might well also give an even fuller account of Roman Catholic missions than at present.

The sub-committee also discussed ways and means of obtaining more articles from several of the countries from which thus far few contributions have been forthcoming. Beyond a few specific suggestions as to possible authors and subjects and approval of the present plan of advisory editors and advisory groups, it has no recommendations.

The sub-committee approved the suggestion of the editor that from time to time the *Review* publish translations either in full or in condensed form of important articles appearing in missionary journals on the Continent of Europe.

There was discussion of means of increasing the circulation which, though encouraging, ought to be enlarged. It was also suggested that the individual members of the Committee of the Council take it upon themselves to see that the *Review* be brought to the attention of their respective constituencies. It was suggested that the different societies subscribe for a copy for each of their stations. The plan of the editor for circularizing subscribers asking their coöperation in adding to the circulation was also noted with approval.

On the recommendation of the sub-committee the Rev. William Paton was reappointed editor, and Miss M. M. Underhill associate editor, with warm appreciation of their services.

The suggestion was made to include editorials in the *Review*, but after some discussion, the Committee took no action.

Mr. Paton requested the Committee to record their appreciation of the service of the editorial advisors: Professor K. S. Latourette in America, Dr. M. Schlunk in Europe, Mr. K. T. Paul in India, Prof. T. C. Chao in China, and Prof. A. K. Reischauer in Japan.

19. Religious Liberty in Moslem Countries. Mr. Cash, as Chairman, presented the report of the sub-committee on Religious Liberty in Moslem Countries. The sub-committee's recommendations were adopted as follows:

1. *That* the officers of the International Missionary Council be asked to give careful attention to the situation in regard to religious liberty in Egypt, Syria, Palestine, Persia, Eritrea, Iraq, and Turkey.

2. *That* the officers should devote attention to the question of the protection of women converts from Islam, which has been acutely raised in Egypt through the application in the courts of the Shariat (religious law), and that they should seek to achieve such publicity for the facts as may encourage a movement among Egyptians for the rectification of injustice.

3. *That* the officers should inquire into the situation that has arisen in Syria through the closing of certain evangelistic work in Damascus and the expulsion of a missionary from his station.

4. *That* they should inquire into the legal position of converts in Iraq.

5. *That* the officers should inquire into the situation created by the

refusal of the Italian Government to allow Swedish missionaries to enter or to return to Eritrea.

6. *That* the officers should prepare a complete statement on these issues for insertion in the *International Review of Missions* and for publication in any other way that may appear advisable.

20. The Havana Conference. Dr. Inman presented to the International Missionary Council Committee the official greetings from the Hispanic American Evangelical Congress and reported on the proceedings of that gathering.

Mr. Mendoza and Professor Braga supplemented this report with brief discussions of the probable effect of the conference on the churches and missions in Latin America.

The session was adjourned after prayer led by Dr. Rodgers.

Ninth Session, Wednesday, July 17th, 9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m.

The service of worship and intercession in the chapel was led by M. le pasteur Anet.

21. Coöperation in Africa. Mr. Oldham presented the recommendations of a meeting on Africa held in Bronxville, New York, July 7th to 9th, which had been attended by some of the members of the Committee from Great Britain and the continent of Europe, as well as by representatives of the North American boards working in Africa. On motion of Mr. Hawkins, the report was adopted as follows:

The International Missionary Council approves of the furtherance of international coöperation in the advancement of the Christian cause in Africa along the following lines:

1. Exploration of the best means of furthering and realizing the evangelistic aims of the Christian missions in Africa.

2. The development of a program of Christian education in Africa as a means of realizing this missionary purpose, with special reference to—

(a) The improvement of religious education,
(b) The Christianization of Africa's womanhood and home life,
(c) The development of African leadership,
(d) The meeting of the needs of rural communities,

and in connection with this the study of the educational policy of governments and of the relation between the educational policy of missions and that of governments.

3. The development of a health program for African missions with special reference to—

(a) A comprehensive program for use in schools.
(b) Coöperation with governments in attack on disease.
(c) The creation of an African health staff of doctors, medical assistants, dressers, and nurses.

4. The furtherance of the work of the proposed International Committee on Christian Literature for Africa.

5. The coöperation with other agencies in the endeavor to understand, conserve, and develop what is valuable in African cultures and institutions.

6. The occupation of the field and the avoidance of overlapping.

7. The encouragement and development of Christian Councils in the Continent of Africa and the coöperation with existing Councils.

8. The approach to governments, where necessary, in regard to questions involving the relations of missions and governments.

9. The bringing to bear of Christian influence for the establishment of right racial relations, and coöperation for this purpose with the proposed Department for Social and Industrial Research and Counsel.

10. Prayer for the raising up of men and women of outstanding gifts for positions of Christian leadership in Africa and support for efforts in different countries to secure for African missionaries the best possible equipment for their task.

The Committee agreed that a statement be prepared setting forth the needs of Africa in the matter of Christian leadership and the preparation and equipment required by missionaries in Africa.

Mr. Oldham called attention to the manual on *Religious Education in Africa* by the Rev. J. W. C. Dougall.

22. Christian Literature. Dr. Diffendorfer, as Chairman, presented the report for the sub-committee on Christian literature. After considerable discussion the report was referred back to the sub-committee for further study and report. (*See* Minute 25.)

23. Religious Education. Dr. Hodgkin, as Chairman, began the presentation of the report of the sub-committee on religious education, to be concluded at the next session.

The session then adjourned.

Tenth Session, Wednesday, July 17th, 8.00–9.30 p.m.

The session was opened with the singing of a hymn and prayer by Dr. Richter.

24. Religious Education. Dr. Hodgkin continued the presentation of the report of the sub-committee on religious education. The following took part in the discussion: Mr. Paul, Miss Van Doren, M. Anet, Mrs. Huntington, Dr. Endicott, Mr. Maclennan, Mr. Wilson, Mrs. Nicholson, Dr. Speer, Dr. Diffendorfer, Dr. Weigle.

The report of the sub-committee, as amended, was adopted as follows:

The sub-committee recommends that the program in regard to religious education include the following matters which are classified under three headings:

A. Those to be commended to the officers with a view to their giving considerable attention to them during the next three years;

B. Those which call for action by the officers but which probably cannot engage much of their time;

C. Those which can be referred to other bodies for suitable action.

UNDER CLASS A

1. *Religious Freedom in State Systems of Education.* (*See* Minute 45.)

2. *Study of Indigenous Cultures and the Values Therein to be Preserved and Used in Christian Religious Education.*

Within this large field of inquiry attention is drawn to the loss which comes through the fact that children from Christian families are frequently ignorant of the cultural background of their own country, while the cultural values of children of non-Christian families who attend Christian schools are not infrequently destroyed without anything positive being put in their place. In this connection emphasis must be laid on the fundamental importance of the mother-tongue as the medium of religious education and expression. The subject calls for collaboration with suitable persons and groups in the countries concerned and its adequate study will probably occupy some years.

3. *The Relations of Evangelism and Religious Education.*

There is not yet full understanding of the normal and proper relations between evangelism and religious education; and it is still possible for evangelistic movements to lack educational depth and substance, and for religious-educational movements to fall short of the power of the Gospel. It is felt by the Committee that fresh attention should be given to the ways in which evangelistic methods should be affected by the new educational outlook; to ways in which religious-educational procedures may be better adapted to serve as means of the redemptive power of the Spirit of God; and to the essential relation, in both evangelistic and religious education, between the social and the individual aspects of the Christian Gospel. In the light of a world situation in some ways so different from that of a generation ago, we need to ask afresh, "What is it that men need to be saved from and what are they to be saved to?" Such an inquiry opens up very wide fields and cannot be hastily carried through, but the committee believes that it will foster far more widely than now obtains a truly vital evangelism. The inquiry is particularly urgent in view of the evangelistic movements proposed for the near future in certain countries.

UNDER CLASS B

4. *Fellowships for Members of the Younger Churches to Study Abroad.*

In connection with any proposals that may be considered for assistance to members of the younger churches to study abroad, the provision in the plan for the study of religious education would open the way to a great advance in this field.

5. *Visits to the Fields by Religious Educators.*

Requests for such visits have already been received from certain fields, especially from the Near East Christian Council and the National Christian

Council of China. It is hoped that the officers may coöperate with national organizations, boards, and individuals, in discovering ways by which these and similar requests can be met.

6. *Preparation of Manuals.*

In following up the Jerusalem findings a manuscript was submitted by Canon Raven on religious education of a somewhat general character. This has been published separately. It was felt that special manuals from the point of view of the different fields are needed, and one by Mr. Dougall for use in Africa has been prepared and is being circulated to missionaries there for their consideration and comment. Miss Van Doren is planning to prepare a similar manual for use in India. It is recommended that the officers be asked to proceed in this matter and to encourage the production of suitable manuals in other fields.

7. *Coöperation with Other International Bodies.*

It is desirable that steps should be taken to bring about the closest possible coöperation with the World's Sunday School Association with a view to collaboration in such matters as are noted below; and also, as opportunity offers, to make contacts with such other bodies as the World's Federation of Educational Associations, and the Progressive Educational Association.

8. *Study of Religious Education of Adults in the Light of the Adult Educational Movements.*

It is hoped that individuals may be found who can give voluntary service in this matter relating the experience of these movements to the problems of adult religious education as they affect the development of the younger churches.

9. *Relation between Mission Boards and Departments of Religious Education.*

The Committee hears with pleasure of steps taken in America to further mutual understanding and consultation between mission boards and departments of religious education within various denominations. The Committee hopes that the experience gained in the field of religious education by denominational departments and other organizations may become increasingly available for missionary work, and commends the matter to the officers.

10. *Bibliographies.*

The Committee is of the opinion that annotated bibliographies, giving information of recent books on lines similar to the lists which at one time were sent to the field by Dr. T. H. P. Sailer, would be of great service in the various countries, and recommends that the subject should be explored by the officers in the hope that the World's Sunday School Association might be prepared to coöperate.

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11. *Attitude of Missionaries Towards Secularism in Government Schools.*

The Committee recommends that the National Christian Council of

India be asked to study this question and to report with the expectation that the report might be of value in other countries.

12. *The Evaluation of Present Work.*

The Committee draws attention to the desirability of the boards and churches undertaking a review of their work with the object of seeing how far the principles of religious education as set forth in the report of the Jerusalem Meeting of the Council are being effectively applied in practice.

Such a review should include:

(a) The practice of evangelism
(b) Methods of religious instruction in Christian schools and colleges
(c) Methods of religious instruction for pupils in Government schools and other schools which have no religious education
(d) The training in practice as well as in theory of pastors, catechists and bible-women
(e) The training of teachers.

The above suggestion is to be forwarded to each of the national bodies constituting the International Missionary Council.

13. *Need for Experimentation on the Field.*

The hope of advance in the field of religious education depends more than anything else upon observation and experiment in the actual work, and the Committee would urge upon all concerned that it is not by taking over ideas ready-made from other countries, but by working out the problem on the spot that they can find their chief satisfaction and move forward with confidence and success.

25. Christian Literature. Dr. Diffendorfer, as Chairman, reported for the sub-committee on Christian literature on the changes made in the original draft. After considerable discussion the report was adopted, as follows:

The Committee has been greatly impressed by the resolutions which it has received from various countries emphasizing the vital importance of vernacular Christian literature, and the very serious inadequacy of the present provision. The Committee, confronted with the demands for a policy of advance, is convinced that sufficient attention is not yet paid to the provision of Christian literature.

The Committee believes that any sound policy for the development of a growing church must include the provision of Christian literature sufficient not only for the daily needs of congregational life, but also for the equipment of the church's leadership.

Observing with great regret the tendency in some fields to be content with literature in a foreign tongue for the training of church leadership, the Committee affirms its belief that this policy is stultifying to the true naturalization of Christian thought and to the production of a truly native Christian literature, and urges that great effort be spent on the provision of a sufficient literature in the mother-tongue. As a primary condition for this, it is im-

portant that Christian educators encourage in every way the love of and the cultivation of the mother-tongue in their schools and colleges.

The Committee believes that in these days of the spread and power of the printed page no policy of evangelization is complete which does not include evangelization through literature. Furthermore, the Committee would affirm that no policy of Christian education is complete which has not in view the production of a sufficient Christian literature for the use of pupils during and after their school days.

Having regard to the international character of the specifically or tacitly anti-Christian literature sold in the bookshops of nearly all countries, the Council would affirm the necessity for the fullest coöperation of the Christian forces in literature production.

The Committee realizes that there are large needs inadequately provided for in many parts of the world including, especially, Korea, the Philippine Islands, and the Netherlands Indies, but there are certain specific literature projects submitted by coöperating organizations which have been considered by the Committee and upon which they make the following recommendations:

1. *India*

The Committee commends the India Christian literature program as organized and fostered by the National Christian Council of India, Burma and Ceylon as the recognized coördinating literature agency of this field. It notices that at present this important undertaking is maintained by relatively few mission boards. In view of the imperative need of a great enlargement of this service, it appeals to mission boards which are not coöperating financially with this enterprise to make appropriations toward the Indian Literature Fund as the most economical and highly productive plan of accomplishing the vital end in view. These appeals will not be effective unless the mission boards, the missions, and the younger churches give Christian literature a place in their policies and budgets which the present situation demands. The Committee recognizes, however, that in many instances the boards themselves must take the initiative.

The attention of the Committee has been drawn to the strong desire to secure in connection with the India Literature Fund, in addition to regular subsidies for immediate expenditure on the production of literature, a sufficient working capital to be used as a revolving fund for the publication and circulation of approved books at a moderate price by the publishing agencies whose capital resources are limited. The Committee recognizes this as a practical need, the meeting of which would be greatly to the advantage of the missionary enterprise.

2. *Moslems*

The Committee has noted with deep satisfaction that the first years of service of the Central Literature Committee for Moslems connected with the Near East Christian Council, has drawn out a growing fellowship in

thought and work on the part of societies and individuals responsible for Christian literature throughout the Moslem world.

The Council is thankful to note an increasing recognition in missionary circles that the responsibility for making and using Christian literature cannot be left to specified literature societies alone but rests on all societies and churches participating in the evangelization of Islam.

In expressing its hope of further progress along these lines, the Committee would draw attention to one aspect of the work of the Central Literature Committee for Moslems which may be of service beyond the Moslem fields, namely a plan by which boards in different language areas can share the cost and production rights of biblical and other illustrations by gifted artist missionaries.

3. *Africa*

The Committee has received with approval the scheme for the formation of an International Committee on Christian Literature for Africa, on the lines proposed by the Conference on African Missions held at Le Zoute, and as the result of prolonged discussion and correspondence between the European and American mission boards concerned with this great and urgent need. The Committee endorses the draft constitution of the Committee hereto attached. (*See* p. 20.)

It considers that this International Committee on Christian Literature for Africa should be related to the International Missionary Council as a sub-committee of the International Missionary Council Committee.

It expresses the hope that as missionary coöperation in Africa extends and when the organization in Africa, as in other lands, of a National Christian Council or Councils becomes practicable, this Committee on Christian Literature for Africa may become an integral part of their oragnizations.

4. *China*

The Committee has received the report on literature approved by the National Christian Council of China at Hangchow in May. It is deeply convinced that the situation in China calls for early and vigorous measures to meet the present unparalleled opportunity. The formation of a standing committee of the National Christian Council to deal with literature on the lines suggested is welcomed as a first step in this direction. The Committee desires to coöperate in the fullest possible way with that committee and in particular it notes with interest the request from the National Christian Council of China for the services of an able and experienced publisher to go into the question of distribution in a thorough way. The Committee offers the suggestion that the scope of this service might be enlarged so as to include a thoroughgoing study of the whole enterprise for literature production, in consultation with all concerned, in order to see how by more drastic reorganization and coördination a really significant forward step may be taken in the near future.

For various reasons, the time seems ripe for such an endeavor, which, if

successful, should result in adding not a little to the resources available for prosecuting the literary side of the Christian movement in China.

The Committee fully appreciates the desire of Chinese Christian writers for complete freedom to make their own contribution in their own way to Christian literature and believes that such a study as is proposed should have this in mind as a fundamental aim to be furthered in every possible way.

The officers are asked to communicate fully with the new standing committee with a view to agreeing upon the scope of the proposed project for the securing of a suitable person or persons.

5. *Japan*

In Japan, the projected three-year evangelistic program affords an opportunity for a larger and more adequate production and distribution on a national scale of appropriate literature. This Committee recognizes the wisdom of the closest possible coördination of all the existing Christian literature agencies of Japan and would invite enlarged support by the constituencies of these agencies to the end that the immediate need may be met.

6. *Conclusion*

The Committee believes that the time has come for a radical reconsideration of the existing plans of the boards in making provision both for finance and personnel, as well as more practical methods of production and circulation of Christian literature. May not a conscientious and thorough reëvaluation of our methods together with a reconsideration of their relative claims and essential interdependence and a more careful study of priorities, reveal the desirability and possibility, within our present resources, of making a far more generous provision for this all-too-neglected part of our work? The Committee, therefore, ventures to suggest that the boards should give special consideration to their policy as a whole with a view to determining the place which provision and use Christian literature should occupy in it, and should proceed to make such adjustments in their activities as will enable them to carry out effectively the literature policy they deem to be necessary for carrying on their work.

Constitution for the Proposed International Committee on Christian Literature for Africa

1. *Name.* — The Committee shall be called "The International Committee on Christian Literature for Africa."

2. *Aim.* — The aim of the Committee shall be to promote the production, publication, and distribution of literature for use in connection with missionary work in Africa.

3. *National Sections.* — The Committee shall be organized in national sections.

4. *Relation to the International Missionary Council.* — The Committee

shall be organized as a sub-committee of the Committee of the International Missionary Council.

5. *Membership.* — The membership of the Committee shall consist of all missionary, tract, literature and other societies contributing to the annual budget. Each contributing society shall be entitled to send a representative to the meetings of the national sections with which it is connected or to meetings of two or more national sections when such joint meetings are held. The national sections may coöpt additional members subject to the approval of the national missionary organization of the country concerned.

6. *Meetings.* — Each national section, or two or more national sections jointly, shall hold at least one meeting annually for the purpose of approving the budget and the transaction of other business.

7. *Policy and Budget.* — The general policy and budget shall be subject to the approval of all sections of the Committee.

8. *Administration.* — The Secretary shall take opportunities of keeping in personal touch with all sections of the Committee. The routine administration of the Committee shall be carried out under the immediate direction and supervision of the British section.

9. *Accounts.* — The Committee shall keep regular accounts in proper form, which shall be made up and audited once a year. An abstract of the audited accounts shall be circulated to the contributing societies.

10. *Relationship to National Missionary Bodies.* — Any national section of the Committee may be constituted a committee of the national organization in that country, but the national organizations or the International Missionary Council shall have no financial responsibility in connection with the Committee.

11. *Relationship with Kindred Organizations.* — The Committee shall maintain relations with the International Institute of African Languages and Cultures, the Central Committee on Christian Literature for Moslems and such other literature groups and other bodies as may be selected from time to time.

12. This Constitution shall be subject to revision in the light of experience with the approval of the national sections of the Committee.

13. This Constitution shall come into force when approved by two or more national bodies.

The session was dismissed with prayer by Mr. Maclennan.

Eleventh Session, Thursday, July 18th, 9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m.

The service of worship and intercession in the chapel was led by Dr. Schneder.

26. **The Home Base.** The Chairman presented four questions to be discussed in considering the problems of the home base:

1. What are the most helpful lessons from recent experiences in developing interest, sense of responsibility, and sacrificial devotion in our churches at the home base with reference to the world mission of Christianity?

2. What can be done to interest and enlist a greater lay force? How can the influence of Christian laymen be brought to bear more effectively in their contacts with other peoples through business, commerce, finance, politics, etc.?

3. What are the principal hindrances standing in the way of more of the ablest students devoting their lives to missionary service, and what can be done by such a body as the International Missionary Council to help meet or overcome these hindrances?

4. Additional suggestions as to how the International Missionary Council can do more to help the national Christian councils in their work of strengthening the home base?

The following took part in the discussion of the first question: Mr. Cash, Mr. Amdahl, Dr. Richter, Mrs. Forgan, Mr. Maclennan, Baron van Boetzelaer, Bishop McConnell.

Dr. Weigle, Dr. Warnshuis, Dr. Slotemaker, Mr. Paton, Mr. Vrooman, Mr. Speers, Mr. Paul, spoke on the second question.

Dr. Wilder and Dr. Hodgkin presented what they believed to be the principal hindrances standing in the way of the abler students devoting their lives to missionary service and suggested some things which the Council might do to help in overcoming these hindrances.

27. **Department of Social and Industrial Research and Counsel.** Mr. Paton presented the report of the sub-committee on the proposal to establish a department of social and economic research in connection with the International Missionary Council as follows:

After general discussion on a preliminary memorandum supplied by Mr. Paton, the sub-committee agreed with the statement of the objectives which the proposed department should seek to achieve and recommended strongly that the Committee of the Council should, in accordance with the general mandate of the Jerusalem Meeting, approve of the proposal to establish the department so soon as the approval of the national bodies could be secured. The objects of the department were in general defined in the recommendation of the Jerusalem Meeting of the Council on the "Christian Mission in Relation to Industrial Problems in Asia and Africa." (See *World Mission of Christianity*, p. 52.) Further examination of the proposal suggested the following as among the principal tasks of the department:

1. To provide a center to which missionaries and others could send information regarding social and industrial conditions in different parts of the world and to make such use of this information as may tend to improve the conditions of life of the people in backward or undeveloped countries.

2. To coöperate with missionary boards and other Christian agencies in creating a healthy Christian public opinion in regard to the economic and social needs, dangers, and problems in Africa and Asia by the dissemination of accurate information.

3. To supply information to those—missionaries, indigenous Christians, and others—who may desire help in facing the social problems of the countries in which they work, particularly those who find themselves drawn into

relation with governments or other secular organizations in the discharging of social responsibility.

4. To give help, not only by correspondence but also by visitation and personal counsel, to the Christian councils in Asia and Africa who may call upon the department to help them as they seek to relate the growing church to the changing moral, social, and economic problems which surround them.

5. To collect information on the types of Christian service which in different countries it is found possible for the Christian forces to undertake, making mutually available experience both between the older and younger churches and between the churches in different parts of the East.

6. To advise the national organizations, the boards, and the churches in the recruiting of workers for the new types of service demanded by the spread of Western industrialism in the East and in Africa, and to further their training by stimulating the adoption of suitable courses in training institutions and universities both in the West and in the East.

While the department will be primarily concerned with the problems arising out of the growth of industrialism in Africa and the East, it is expected that from time to time service may be rendered in connection with such social problems as those created by the liquor and drug traffic in Asia and Africa.

Reference was made to the suggestions put forward in several quarters for coöperation with other bodies engaged in similar work, such as the Stockholm Institute of Social Christianity and the industrial departments of the World Committees of the Young Men's and Young Women's Christian Associations. While welcoming the possibility of coöperation with these bodies, the sub-committee considered it to be of the highest importance that the International Missionary Council should be solely responsible for its own department and should retain exclusive and undivided control over it. In addition it was considered that the intimate relation of the subjects likely to be treated by the department to the general policy of the missionary movement made it necessary that at every point care should be taken to avoid entanglements with other organizations whose policy might not be akin to that of the International Missionary Council.

The sub-committee further expressed the view that in the use made of information on labor conditions in Africa and the East gained from missionaries, the greatest discretion should be observed, particularly in the possible relations with governments, with the Permanent Mandates Commission of the League of Nations, or the International Labor Office. In each case where it might seem desirable to make representation to official bodies concerning abuses, careful consideration should be given to the question whether such representation should be made to the League organization or to the government concerned and whether it should be made by the International Missionary Council or by a national missionary organization. It was considered essential that in all such matters no action should be taken by the department apart from consultation with the officers of the International Missionary Council.

It was agreed by the sub-committee that the department should be established at Geneva.

The sub-committee considered the matter of the staff required. It was decided to recommend that the Council should invite Mr. H. A. Grimshaw to give such help as might be possible for him in an unofficial capacity, and that two full-time officers should be appointed, one to be a woman and one a man. Of these one would more frequently be on travel, rendering help in person in such areas as might call for his services, and the other would spend more time in Geneva. Between them the two officers would perform the functions of maintaining a repository of information for all who might desire it and of aiding Christian councils or other bodies who might desire help to be rendered in person.

It was agreed that the final choice of the staff should be left to the officers of the International Missionary Council.

It was agreed that a panel of experts should be formed whose services might from time to time be called upon either for special help at the department in Geneva, or to visit some part of the world in connection with a particular issue.

The control of the department should rest with the Committee of the International Missionary Council and a sub-committee should be formed, international in character, to give immediate oversight to it.

The following budget was proposed:

Salaries of two secretaries	$6000
Stenographic help	1500
Rent	500
Postage and telegrams	250
Contingencies	250
Travel	1500
Total	$10,000

It was laid down at the Jerusalem Meeting of the Council that the funds for this enterprise should be found apart from the regular budget of the Council and it was suggested that this matter be referred to the Finance Committee.

The following took part in the discussion of the report: Miss Calder, Bishop McConnell, M. Anet, Mr. Cash, Dr. van Boetzelaer, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Amdahl, Professor Latourette, Mr. Oldham, Dr. Diffendorfer, and Dr. Franklin. The above recommendations of the sub-committee were generally approved by the Committee subject to further consideration after the sub-committee on Finance has reported upon the proposed budget. (*See* Minutes 32 and 50, and the report of the sub-committee on Finance, p. 33.)

Twelfth Session, Friday, July 19th, 9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m.

The service of worship and intercession in the chapel was led by Bishop McConnell.

28. Evangelism. The Chairman opened the subject, suggesting the lines for the discussion. He also read a letter from Miss Topping, who is associated with Mr. Kagawa, telling of the evangelistic efforts in Japan under the name of the "Kingdom of God Movement."

The following gave brief expression to ideas on different phases of the subject of evangelism: Dr. Wilder, Mr. Cash, Dr. Speer, Mr. Paton, Mr. Wilson, Dr. Van Buskirk, Dr. Diffendorfer, Bishop McConnell, Mr. Amdahl, Dr. Endicott, Mr. Paul, and Mrs. Huntington.

29. The Christian Message. Dr. Diffendorfer, as Chairman of the sub-committee on the Christian Message, presented the following report, which the Committee adopted:

It was made clear at the meeting at Jerusalem that in its efforts to evangelize the world the Christian Church has to meet not only the rival claims of non-Christian religious systems, but also the still more formidable challenge of secularism. The industrial civilization of the West, based on the application of the results of scientific outlook is spreading rapidly throughout the world. Under the shock of these new influences traditional social systems in non-Christian countries are being disintegrated, and the traditional religions are revealing their inadequacy to meet the changed situation and are losing their hold over the minds of thoughtful men. While large masses are affected by the new forces which are rapidly transforming the social order, it is particularly leaders of the national life and those who are directing these forces that are most subject to the influence of the secular outlook.

To meet this situation what is supremely needed is a new adventure in Christian living, a fuller and richer manifestation of Christian life. As was said in the statement at the Jerusalem Meeting on the Christian Message, "We and all Christian people must seek a more heroic practice of the Gospel." This adventure must include a fresh intellectual effort to interpret the Christian view and way of life in a language that they can understand to those who have acquired the modes of thought of secularism. A new endeavor is needed to enlarge the resources of the missionary movement by drawing into its service far more of the best Christian thinkers in different countries.

In view of this situation the sub-committee recommends:

1. *That* all constituent organizations should be asked to consider how still wider use may be made of the Jerusalem Message while it is still fresh (a) as a challenge to a deeper devotion to Christ in the tasks of world evangelization, and (b) as a means of bringing home to this generation the fact that it is Christ alone who can meet the world's need.

2. *That* the attention of all the national Christian councils be called to the desirability of forming groups (a) for the study of the Christian Message in relation to non-Christian religious systems, and (b) for the study of the Christian Message in relation to secularism; and that the officers of the International Missionary Council take such steps as they can to keep such groups in touch with the Christian thinkers who can be of help to them.

3. *That* steps be taken to enable outstanding Christian thinkers in Europe and America, including Christian philosophers, scientists, and educators, as well as preachers and theologians to visit the important fields to lecture on Christianity and modern thought and in particular, to discuss these questions with small groups.

4. *That* efforts be made to provide increased facilities for members of the younger churches who possess the necessary initial equipment to pursue their studies in the West and to avail themselves of the best help that the older churches can give.

5. *That* the officers of the Council be authorized in coöperation with the different national missionary organizations (a) to take such steps as are practicable to bring before Christian thinkers the demands of the present world situation with a view to securing their larger and more direct participation in the world mission of Christianity, and in particular in meeting the challenge of secularism; and (b) to take such steps as are practicable to keep in touch with one another the groups in different countries which are studying these subjects.

The session then adjourned.

Thirteenth Session, Friday, July 19th, 8.00–9.30 p.m.

The session opened with the singing of a hymn and prayer by Dr. Koechlin.

30. **Educational Commission to Japan.** Dr. Schneder presented the report on the proposed educational commission to Japan and explained the reasons for such a survey. After discussion, the report was adopted as follows:

The Committee of the International Missionary Council, having heard with responsive interest the desire expressed by the Christian Educational Association of Japan, and by the Executive Committee of the National Christian Council, that a thorough survey be made of Christian Higher Education in Japan by a group of competent educational authorities, heartily endorse the proposal that such a survey be made, and recommend:

1. *That* the International Missionary Council request the representatives of the Japan National Christian Council who are present at this meeting to take this matter up with the Japan National Christian Council and the Japan Christian Educational Association for fuller understanding, and report to the officers of the International Missionary Council;

2. *That* the officers of the International Missionary Council be instructed to report to the Committee of Reference and Counsel in North America and to the Standing Committee in Great Britain, the result of these negotiations, with a view to giving effect to the desires of these bodies as to meeting the great needs in the field of Christian education in Japan, provided adequate provision can be made to meet the expense of the work of the proposed Commission;

3. *That* the Commission, if appointed, consist of two members from

North America, one from Great Britain, and two from Japan, these to be appointed by the National Councils of their respective countries;

4. *That* the Commission make investigation of matters such as the following:

(a) How the higher educational institutions may hold their place of respect and influence amid the great progress of government education, as well as of private non-Christian education.

(b) How these institutions may be made more effective religiously, and in the training of Christian leaders.

(c) The types of education being offered and needed.

(d) How the Christian higher educational institutions may be placed upon a more stable financial basis.

(e) The possibility of a fuller coördination and unification of the whole Christian higher educational work.

(f) The advisability of making more adequate provision for the furtherance of the Christian movement through theological research, the study of the social implications of Christianity, the training of leaders both in evangelistic and educational work, and the production of literature.

(g) Other related matters that may come up in the course of the survey.

31. **The Relation of the Younger and the Older Churches.** Dr. Cheng, as Chairman, presented the report on the relation of the younger and the older churches. After discussion by Miss Calder, Dr. Diffendorfer, Mrs. Nicholson, Mr. Paton, Dr. Hodgkin, and Mr. Paul, with suggestions as to additions, the report was adopted as follows:

1. As we have built upon and carried forward the findings of the Jerusalem Council regarding the relations between the younger and the older churches, we have been made aware of the very different situations in different countries and in different portions of the same country, and in different denominational groups and of the different methods of adjustment and relationship between church and missions which have been found effective toward the realization of the missionary ideal as set forth in the findings. It is one of the functions of the International Missionary Council to keep these ideals before the churches and missionary agencies and to seek to make available to each National Christian Council the experiences and practices of other lands. At the present time, we recommend that the officers of the International Missionary Council explore the possibilities of securing studies of the experiences and practices in certain areas for the help of such national councils as may desire such materials.

2. In reply to the query with regard to "how to maintain the valuable service of present missionary leaders and to secure that of new missionaries," we are of the opinion that the following measures may be serviceable:

(a) The presentation to the older churches, and especially to their young men and women, of the dire need of missionary help and reënforcements as expressed by the various National Christian Councils and by their representatives in the International Missionary Council and especially of the clear call for missionaries in wide unoccupied areas, and for special work

(b) The working out on the various fields of such plans of relationship of churches and missions as will assure the largest and happiest and most enduring service of missionaries in coöperation with the church.

(c) The presentation to the National Christian Councils through the International Missionary Council of the problems with which the mission boards are confronted in their home constituency as a result of the present-day situation and questions in some of the mission fields.

3. We think there is need of fresh and wide restudy:

(a) Of the experiences of the churches and missions in the countries and regions where most progress has been made in the development of self-support and economic and administrative independence as urgently recommended by the Foreign Missions Conference of North America and by the Jerusalem Meeting.

(b) Of the problem of the propagation and maintenance of churches with simpler and less expensive forms of organization and the development of a church leadership not dependent upon financial help whether from foreign missions or from national organizations.

These surveys should include a thorough study of the use and place of money:

i. In missionary history since the beginning of the Eighteenth Century with a review of the discussion of this matter in various fields and at various periods;

ii. In the history of the extension of the church between the apostolic age and the modern missionary era;

iii. In Roman Catholic Missions and in great missionary movements of non-Christian religions;

These studies should be supplementary to a study of the use of money in present day missions and national churches with a view to throwing light upon ways in which money may help or hinder the development of strong self-sustaining churches.

This matter is referred to the officers of the International Missionary Council for thorough investigation in order that they may discover some person or persons (perhaps missionaries) to carry it forward.

4. The Committee is of the opinion that the subject of theological education in many parts of the mission field is one calling for urgent attention in view of

(a) The serious weakness resulting from existing diffusion of effort and

(b) the vital importance of the training of the ministry for the life of the church.

It recommends that the officers of the Council should get into touch with the National Christian Councils in mission fields and with the national missionary organizations in North America and Europe with a view to ascertaining what steps can be taken most advantageously to secure a thorough consideration of the problem of theological training in each area, with reference to such matters as (i) greater concentration of effort and more effective coöperation with a view to the best use of available resources and

(ii) the adequacy of existing policies, methods, and courses, for the purpose of providing the type of ministry that is needed for the church in the area in question.

It is suggested that the inquiry might, if found practicable, be broadened to include the whole question of recruiting and training for the ministry.

5. The Committee of the International Missionary Council looks with favor upon the suggestion that a commission be sent from the Christian forces of China for conferences with churches and boards in Western lands, but the Committee hesitates to request such a commission at this time when the Five-Year Movement in China appears to require the presence in China of the active Christian leaders of that country. At the same time the Committee of the International Missionary Council is of the opinion that churches of the West would welcome such a commission when in the judgment of the National Christian Council of China conditions are favorable for such service as is suggested.

6. The Committee has learned with great interest of the invitation from the Conference of Missionary Societies in Great Britain and Ireland to the National Christian Council of India, Burma and Ceylon to send a deputation of spiritual fellowship from the churches of India to the churches of Great Britain and Ireland in accord with the Minutes of the Jerusalem Council (page 34) upon this subject. The Committee will watch with deep sympathy and prayer the development of this project and trusts that the outcome may be such as to commend such deputations of fellowship and interpretation to other councils of the younger and the older churches.

7. The Committee believes that in any country where the problems of a younger church in a non-Christian land are being faced there is likely to be much to learn from other churches which have recently faced or are still facing similar problems. The Committee recommends to the officers of the Council the consideration of how best to stimulate interchange of thought and personal visits to this end.

8. The Committee welcomes with gratitude and thanksgiving news of the evangelistic movements inaugurated in China and Japan and elsewhere. It thinks that the older churches can coöperate with and assist in these movements: (a) by taking these plans into their hearts and carrying them steadfastly in their prayers; (b) by continuous and intelligent acquaintance with the character and development of these plans, and, to this end, the officers of the International Missionary Council should be a channel for the communication of this information to the constituent bodies of the Council; (c) by sending helpers, carefully selected in conference between the churches on the field and the older churches, for such special service in connection with these evangelistic movements as may be practicable and helpful; (d) by such measure of financial help as may be possible and wise.

The Committee having heard also of simultaneous but unrelated evangelistic movements in various other countries and of a widespread yearning for spiritual revival believes that these things are an evidence of the stirring of the Spirit of God in the life of today and desires to take its share therein.

It trusts that the above-mentioned evangelistic movements in Oriental countries may stimulate a still greater desire for a quickened spiritual life and for fresh concerted evangelistic effort among the older churches so that East and West may join hands in a determined and persistent effort to bring Christ before men as the only One who can be utterly trusted to lead them out of darkness into the light of the knowledge of the glory of God.

32 **Department of Social and Industrial Research and Counsel.** Mr. Paton again brought forward the report of the committee on the proposal to establish a department of social and economic research in connection with the International Missionary Council. (*See* Minutes 27 and 50.) Mr. Hawkins reported for the Finance Committee that it was understood that none of these projects will be undertaken until money is at hand and that the budget of the International Missionary Council shall not be burdened with any financial liability for them.

The following motion was passed, three voices dissenting: "The Committee approves the report on the proposed Department of Social and Industrial Research and Counsel and instructs the officers to send this report and any additional information necessary to the national bodies."

The session closed with a hymn and with prayer by Dr. Hodgkin.

Fourteenth Session, Saturday, July 20th, 9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m.

The service of worship and intercession in the chapel was led by Dr. Braga.

33. **Constitutional Changes.** The Committee, having received information through its officers of the change of name of some of the constituent bodies, noted the following verbal changes to be made in the constitution of the Council, namely:

Article II

"United Missionary Council of Australia" to be changed to "National Missionary Council of Australia."

"Evangelical Union of the Philippine Islands" to be changed to "National Christian Council of the Philippine Islands."

"Council for Western Asia and Northern Africa" to be changed to "Near East Christian Council."

The name of "National Christian Council of Siam" is to be added, in accordance with the action of the Committee admitting this Council to the membership of the International Missionary Council.

Article IV

The same changes as in Article II, one representative being designated for Siam.

34. **Change in Number of Representatives.** In view of the importance of the missionary work of the German churches, the Committee voted to amend Article IV of the Constitution by changing the representation of Germany in the Committee from one to two, and to refer this amendment

to the constituent bodies for their consideration with a view to the ratification of it.

35. **Term of Office.** Inasmuch as the Constitution of the Council provides that the Committee shall determine the term of office of its officers, the Committee voted that these terms of office should in all cases be understood to extend from one meeting of the Committee to the next meeting. At each meeting of the Committee the election of all its officers shall be a regular order of business.

36. **Nominating Committee.** The following were appointed to serve as a nominating committee: Dr. Franklin, Mr. Paul, Mr. Hawkins, Dr. Richter.

37. **The Appointment of Mr. Basil Mathews.** Mr. Maclennan spoke briefly on the work of Mr. Mathews and moved the adoption of the following resolution:

The Committee of the International Missionary Council authorizes the appointment of Mr. Basil Mathews to devote his time (1) to literary work, with special reference to enlisting the interest of the youth of all lands in the world-wide missionary enterprise; (2) to securing the intelligent coöperation of journalists, writers, and publicists. The Committee also authorizes the officers and Mr. Kenneth Maclennan to conduct negotiations with Mr. Mathews to work out the plan for the conducting of his activities, and to designate a committee to supervise his work.

It is understood that this arrangement is for a period of three years and that it is not to come into effect until satisfactory financial provision has been made.

The motion was unanimously adopted.

38. **Report of the Finance Committee.** Mr. Hawkins presented the report of the Finance Committee. The following recommendations were adopted:

1. *That* the accounts of the International Missionary Council for the year ending December 31, 1928, and of the International Review of Missions for the year ending September 30, 1928, which have been duly audited, be approved. (*See* pages 44–5.)

2. *That* the cordial thanks of the Committee be expressed to Messrs. Gough and Bacon, and Messrs. Mann, Judd, Gordon & Co., chartered accountants, for auditing the accounts of the Council.

3. *That* the sum of $1,000 be taken out of the credit balance carried forward on January 1, 1929, and be added to the appropriation in the 1929 budget of the Council towards the expense of this Committee meeting, making a total sum of $3,500 available for this purpose.

4. *That* the Committee approves of the arrangements made to assist in providing the necessary travelling expenses of some of the members of the Committee in attendance upon this meeting; and further, that in the future the Committee authorize the officers to give from the available funds of the Council such aid in meeting the travelling expenses of the Committee mem-

bers as may be necessary to obtain a satisfactory quorum, and as may be needed to give assistance to members upon whom these travelling expenses bear as an excessively heavy burden because of long distance or other reasons.

5. *That* a readjustment of expenditure on account of rent for 1929 for the offices in New York be authorized, making the total amount of $1,307 available for that purpose within the budget.

6. *That* when larger space becomes available for the offices in London, the officers be authorized to pay the reasonable additional costs out of funds available for that purpose within the budget.

7. *That* the Committee of the International Missionary Council hereby authorize any two of the following persons, namely: John R. Mott, Chairman, A. L. Warnshuis, Secretary, James M. Speers, Treasurer, and Leslie B. Moss, to make arrangements with the Council's bankers in New York to borrow on account of the Council such sums as may be needed but not at any time to exceed a total of $5,000, and to grant to the bankers on behalf of the Council such undertaking as the bankers may require.

8. *That* the Committee of the International Missionary Council hereby authorize any two of the following persons, namely: J. H. Oldham, Secretary, William Paton, Secretary, Kenneth Maclennan, F. H. Hawkins to make arrangements with the Council's bankers in London to borrow on account of the Council such sums as may be needed but not at any time to exceed a total of £1,000 and to grant to the bankers on behalf of the Council such undertaking as the bankers may require.

9. *That* the authorization for the signatures on checks on the Council's bank accounts be continued as at present.

10. *That* the budget for 1930, 1931, and 1932 be fixed at a total of $40,000, and adjustments within that total be referred to the Chairman, Treasurer, and Secretaries with power.

BUDGETS — 1931 AND 1932

A. Administration:	
1. Salaries of Secretaries and Assistants	$17,800
2. Salaries of Stenographers	7,228
3. Share of Business Office	990
4. Rent, rates, cleaning, lighting and heating	4,890
5. Stationery, postage, telephone	1,482
B. Travelling Expenses:	
1. Secretaries' travel	2,500
2. Committee Meeting	1,500
C. Expenses of Chairman's Office in New York	1,470
D. Printing:	
1. Minutes and Sundries	300
2. Quarterly Notes	250
E. International Review of Missions	1,490
F. Contingencies	100
	$40,000

11. In considering the budget, the Finance Committee had before it both the budget for the established organization of the Council and also recommendations for increased expenditures referred to it by the Committee of the Council or suggested by the officers. It also took into review various probable prospective applications to the National Councils for additional expenditure. Representatives of the National Councils of North America, Great Britain, and the Continent of Europe expressed their conviction that there should be no increase in the budget for which appeal would be made directly to the national constituent bodies. After full consideration the Finance Committee came unanimously to the conclusion that it could not recommend to the Committee any addition to the regular budget of the Council. With reference to the supplementary projects that are proposed, the Finance Committee agreed to recommend to the Committee of the Council:

That the Committee approve of the projects named below and authorize officers and members of the Committee to make efforts to obtain the necessary funds apart from the budget asked of the constituent Councils. It is understood that no appeals for the financial support of these projects will be made to the constituency of any mission board without consultation with the officers of the board concerned. Furthermore, it is understood that these supplementary projects will be undertaken under the auspices of the Council only when the necessary funds have been provided and also that it should be made clear to all concerned that the International Missionary Council or its constituent bodies do not accept responsibility for the continuance of these projects except as from time to time such additional financial provision may be obtained.

The projects referred to in the action above are:

Mr. Basil Mathews (including travel and expenses)	$7,500
Dr. Kenyon L. Butterfield (including travel and expenses)	10,000
Department of Social and Industrial Research and Counsel	10,000
Secretary for Work among Jews (including travel and expenses)	7,500

For other approved projects of a non-recurring character, the Committee authorizes the officers, as heretofore, to raise the necessary funds from interested boards and individuals. At this meeting the Committee has approved of the constitution of the International Committee on Christian Literature for Africa and it understands that the boards interested are subscribing the budget of that Committee.

12. *That* the secretaries be instructed when forwarding to the constituent national bodies the appeal for contributions to the regular budget of the Council to indicate a definite amount which each national body will be expected to contribute. The Finance Committee has approved of the amounts to be suggested to the national councils that were admitted to the member-

ship of the Council by action of the Jerusalem Meeting. The officers are requested to bring in at the next meeting a suggested minimum contribution for a national body.

13. *That* the Committee approve the principle of making provision in behalf of the International Missionary Council for retiring allowances for all of its salaried officers and that Dr. John R. Mott, Mr. James M. Speers, Dr. Ralph E. Diffendorfer be appointed a special committee to draft a revised plan for such a provision, including a contributory feature to be submitted for the approval of the constituent national bodies.

39. Russia and China. Dr. Hodgkin presented a resolution with regard to the situation between Russia and China. After discussion, the resolution was referred back for rewording and a second report. (*See* Minute 46.)

40. The Appointment of Dr. Butterfield. The Finance Committee, having acted favorably on the resolution regarding Dr. Butterfield, referred to it from an earlier session (*see* Minute 14) the Committee adopted the following resolution: —

The Council authorizes its officers to make arrangements, subject to the provisions of the minute of the Finance Committee (*see* p. 33), with Dr. Kenyon L. Butterfield for a period of two years during which time he will coöperate with the officers in the development of the work of the missions and churches in rural areas and will visit India and China for that purpose, the plans for his visits to these countries and to Siam to be prepared by the officers in consultation with the national Christian councils.

41. Studies on Missionary Subjects. The Committe agreed to request the officers of the Council to take steps to collect and issue from time to time, preferably once a year, a list of topics on missions and closely related subjects on which special investigation is being made, either under their direction or independently. It was understood that the officers may, if they so wish, delegate the actual conduct of this work to Professor Kenneth S. Latourette, making available to him such secretarial assistance as may be needed. It was also understood that no work would be undertaken under this resolution which will necessitate an increase in the budget.

Fifteenth Session, Saturday, July 20th, 5.00–6.00 p.m.

The session opened with a period of silent prayer, following which it was led in prayer by Mr. Amdahl.

42. Famine in China. The following resolution on the famine in China was adopted:

The Committee, mindful of the extreme distress of multitudes of people in China due to famine conditions in large areas, expresses the earnest desire that the missionary boards, especially those working in China, should give most thoughtful attention to the task of arousing opinion and obtaining financial aid for well-conceived relief efforts.

In this connection the Committee has learned with much satisfaction that the American Red Cross have recently sent a special Commission to China

to investigate the conditions and to recommend relief measures adequate to meet the situation.

43. Liquor Traffic in Africa. A communication was received calling the attention of the Committee to the liquor traffic in Africa. The following resolution was adopted:

The Committee views with deep concern the increase in the importation of alcoholic liquors into Africa and the demoralizing effects on the native populations.

The Committee instructs the officers to approach the national missionary organizations concerned, with a view to examination of the whole subject and the securing of united action for the purpose of bringing the evil to an end.

Dr. Warnshuis announced that the United States Government had ratified the treaty on this subject signed at Saint Germaine-en-Laye, September 10, 1919.

44. Portuguese Colonies. Miss Gibson, for the sub-committee, presented a resolution which was adopted as follows:

The Committee of the Council has had brought to its attention the situation in the Portuguese Colonies where recent legislation (1) prohibits the use of the local vernaculars in written form and, (2) requires that the direction of Portuguese courses of study in schools shall be in the hands of a person of Portuguese nationality.

The Committee recognizes the inherent right of government to determine the standard of education in the schools in its territory and the obligation on missions which undertake educational work to conduct their schools in accordance with the best educational standards and practices.

The Committee requests the officers to take steps to ensure that the following matters are represented to the Portuguese authorities in ways judged to be most appropriate:

1. That the circulation of the Holy Bible in the native languages and the free use of these languages in religious worship are inseparable from the exercise of religious freedom;

2. That a weighty body of the best modern educational opinion favors the use of the mother tongue in the early stages of education, and that consequently it is desirable that along with the required instruction in the Portuguese language the use of the vernacular should be permitted in the first few years of school life;

3. That while the missionary societies cordially recognize that the European language taught in schools in the Portuguese colonies must be Portuguese and that the government is entitled to require that where Portuguese is taught it must be taught by competent teachers, they hold that it is nevertheless desirable, and is also in accordance with the practice prevailing in other colonies in Africa, that liberty to teach the language of the governing power should not be restricted to its own nationals but be accorded to all who possess the necessary academic qualifications.

Further, the attention of the Committee has been called to the fact that serious hindrances are placed in the way of missionary work in the Mozambique and Nyasaland districts in Portuguese East Africa and that these areas are practically closed to missionary effort.

The Committee recommends that the officers should approach the Mission Suisse Romande with a view to ascertaining whether the services of M. Loze might be available to take up this last matter in friendly discussion with the Portuguese authorities on behalf of all the missions and also to assist in the discussion with them of the two preceding matters.

45. Freedom of Religious Instruction and State Systems of Education. In accordance with the request of the Jerusalem Meeting (*World Mission of Christianity*, p. 30), the Committee instructs the officers to take steps to make a study of the rights of minorities under state systems of education. It is understood that the officers will procure the assistance of one or more experts and that this study will not involve an additional charge upon the regular budget.

46. Russia and China. Dr. Hodgkin presented a resolution which was adopted as follows:

That this meeting of the Committee of the International Missionary Council, including representatives of fifteen different countries, has heard with deep concern of the rupture of diplomatic relations between Russia and China. It sincerely hopes and prays that the differences between these two countries may be settled by peaceful negotiations and without recourse to arms.

Meeting as it is on American soil, the Committee requests its Chairman to transmit the resolution to the President of the United States in the hope that his efforts in this direction may be crowned with success.

47. Commission on Christian Higher Education in India. The report was presented by Mr. Paton and was adopted as follows:

The Committee had before it the resolution of the Executive Committee of the National Christian Council of India, commending to the Conference of Missionary Societies of Great Britain and Ireland and to the Foreign Missions Conference of North America the proposal that a Commission should be sent to study the enterprise of Christian Higher Education among men in India and the opportunities open to it under present conditions. This resolution was supported by the Findings of an influential conference of Indian Christians and missionary educators held at Agra, from which the proposal originated, and by resolutions of approval from numerous bodies in India including provincial Christian Councils, mission councils, gatherings of educational leaders and councils of Christian colleges.

There was also before the Committee a resolution of approval from the Conference of Missionary Societies of Great Britain and Ireland, together with suggestions regarding the terms of reference for the Commission, and a resolution approving the proposal in principle from the Committee of Reference and Counsel in America.

Lack of opportunity for common consultation had so far prevented the American boards from giving adequate consideration to these proposals. It was however the view of the sub-committee that the material provided by the suggested Indian terms of reference and by the proposals of the Conference of Missionary Societies in Great Britain and Ireland was sufficient to enable them to formulate terms of reference likely to be acceptable to each of the national organizations concerned.

They accordingly recommended that the following action be taken by the Committee of the Council:

Resolved:

1. *That* the Committee of the International Missionary Council adds to the expressions of approval received from the national bodies above mentioned its own cordial endorsement of the proposal of the proposed Commission.

2. *That* the Commission be constituted by two nominees of the Conference of the Missionary Societies in Great Britain and Ireland, two nominees of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, two nominees of the National Christian Council of India, Burma and Ceylon, and that the Committee accept the suggestion that it should itself in addition appoint the Chairman of the Commission.

3. *That* the Commission should visit India during the cold weather of 1930–31.

4. *That* the terms of reference to the Commission be as follows:

(*a*) to review the field of service open to the Christian colleges under present conditions in India and to suggest ways in which the available resources of the Church can be more effectively used for this purpose. In this review the Commission will inquire into the value of the mission college as a missionary method under present conditions in India, with reference both to Christian and non-Christian students; into the extent to which the mission colleges are contributing to the upbuilding and strengthening of the Church whether they could or should take any share in theological training; into the effectiveness of the colleges in respect to their direct Christian teaching and of the influence which they exert in other ways; into the value of hostels for students attending non-Christian colleges as a means of bringing Christian influence to bear upon the educated classes; and into the relation of the Christian colleges to the system of higher education in India.

(*b*) to suggest, where local conditions make it advisable, such coöperation as may prevent unnecessary duplication and may make possible a higher standard of education and missionary efficiency and to make definite recommendations.

(*c*) to consider how the needs of the Christian colleges for men and funds can best be presented in Britain and America.

(*d*) to report to the Conference of Missionary Societies in Great Britain and Ireland, the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, the National Christian Council of India, and the International Missionary Council.

Subject to the above terms of reference the Commission should be left large freedom as to matters to which it should give consideration and as to the ways in which it should do its work.

5. *That* the officers of the International Missionary Council be instructed to convey the above resolutions to the three national organizations concerned, and should any modification of these terms of reference appear necessary, to seek to achieve an agreement among the appointing bodies; to

confer with the European continental missionary organizations as to any share they may wish to take in promoting the Commission; to receive from the appointing bodies the names of those proposed as members of the Commission and to use their good offices to secure the appointment of a commission whose personnel may be satisfactory to all the parties concerned, with adequate representation of the different interests involved; and to take up with the national bodies the question of the provision of the necessary funds.

6. That the officers be further empowered to appoint the Chairman of the Commission, making their choice in consultation with the other appointing bodies.

48. Coöperation in Medical Work. Mr. Paton presented a resolution prepared by the doctors of medicine in the meeting. The resolution was referred back for re-drafting to a sub-committee consisting of Dr. Hodgkin, Dr. Oliver, Dr. Boon Itt, and Dr. Van Buskirk.

The meeting adjourned to meet again at 7.30.

Sixteenth Session, Saturday, July 20th, 7.30–9.30 p.m.

The session opened with singing and with prayer led by Mrs. Forgan.

49. Coöperation in Medical Work. Dr. Hodgkin reported for the sub-committee which re-drafted the resolution on coöperation in medical work, and the resolution was adopted as follows:

Inasmuch as many of the problems faced by medical workers are intimately related to the development of the rest of the Christian enterprise, the Committee suggests:

1. That medical men and women should, to a larger extent, be brought on to coöperative organizations.

2. That in framing rural policies the medical side should be fully considered.

3. That careful study should be given to the way in which medical service can be related to the plans for the development of the indigenous churches.

4. That, in the discussion of industrial problems, medical workers be brought into consultation.

5. That medical work be considered in relation to evangelistic programs and that steps be taken to evaluate the work done in hospitals from this point of view.

6. That medical workers be consulted as to aspects of educational work that concern especially such matters as social hygiene, health education, and school diet.

50. Name for Department at Geneva. From the several suggestions made, the Committee voted to call the organization at Geneva "International Missionary Council, Department of Social and Industrial Research and Counsel," and the suggestion was made to carry in small type on the letterheads, "Department for the study of human relations as affected by the expansion of Western industrialism."

51. Report of Nominating Committee. Dr. Franklin presented the following report for the Nominating Committee:

Chairman:	Dr. John R. Mott
Vice-Chairmen:	Dr. C. Y. Cheng
	The Bishop of Salisbury
	W. E. Baroness van Boetzelaer van Dubbledam
Treasurer:	Mr. James M. Speers
Secretaries:	Mr. J. H. Oldham
	Rev. William Paton
	Dr. A. L. Warnshuis
Assistant Secretaries:	Miss B. D. Gibson
	Miss Esther Strong

This report was unanimously adopted.

52. Distribution of Tasks. It was reported by the Chairman that the Sub-committee on the Work of the Officers agreed that the primary responsibility for seeing that the decisions of the Committee are carried into effect should be distributed as follows (the numbers in parentheses refer to the preceding minutes): —

Mr. Oldham: Coöperation in Africa (21); Religious Education (24); Christian Literature (25, 3); The Christian Message (29, 5); Liquor Traffic in Africa (43); Portuguese Colonies (44).

Mr. Paton: Missions among the Jews (17); International Review of Missions (18); Religious Liberty in Moslem Countries (19); Religious Education (24, 11); Christian Literature (25, 1); Department of Social and Industrial Research, and Counsel (27); The Christian Message (29, 1–5); Commission to India (47); Medical Missions (49).

Dr. Warnshuis: Religious Education (24, 5, 7, 9); Christian Literature (25, 4); The Christian Message (29, 1–3 in America); Younger and Older Churches (31); Finance (38); Rural Work (40); Religious Freedom in State Systems of Education (45).

Miss Gibson: Africa Program (21); Religious Education (24, 8); Rural Work (40).

Miss Strong: Religious Education (25, B 10); Industry (27); Younger and Older Churches (31, 1, 2, 4, 8); Missionary Studies (41); Freedom of Religious Instruction (45).

It was further agreed that primary responsibility in regard to African questions should rest with Mr. Oldham, in regard to India questions with Mr. Paton, and in regard to Far Eastern questions with Dr. Warnshuis.

The Chairman: Official communications following the meeting: Aid in strengthening new councils and preparing the way for the organization of certain others; Christian Literature in Japan (25, 5); Higher Education in Japan (30); Coöperation with the Kingdom of God Movement in Japan and the Five Year Movement in China (31, 8); Mr. Mathews (37); Coördinating of all that is done with reference to the financing of the four

special projects that were approved by the Committee (38, 11); The Mass Movement Question; Assistance at the Home Base in America and Europe; also the many unnamed projects in which the coöperation of the Council may be invited.

The Chairman also reported briefly regarding tentative plans that were being considered for the travel of the officers during the next year.

53. **Prayer Card.** On the suggestion of Mr. Cash it was voted that a new prayer card be issued containing the names of the members of the Committee together with a list of the tasks that have been put in the hands of the officers of the Committee. It was voted to carry out this suggestion.

54. **Emergency Committee.** The following were appointed to act as an Emergency Committee with the Chairman, the three Vice-Chairmen, and the Treasurer: Dr. Schlunk, Mr. Hawkins, Dr. Diffendorfer.

55. **Time and Place of Next Committee Meeting.** The suggestion was made that the next meeting should take place in not less than two years and not more than three years, and that as long a notice as possible should be given to the members. It was agreed that the fixing of the time and place of the next meeting should be left with the officers.

56. **Vote of Thanks.** The Committee adopted a vote of most hearty thanks to President Garfield and the other officers of Williams College for their kindness in opening the College buildings for this meeting; to the unnamed friends who have so generously provided the hospitality which the Committee members have enjoyed in Williams Inn, and to Bishop and Mrs. Paddock and Colonel and Mrs. Prentiss for their thoughtful kindness in receiving the Committee members in their homes.

57. **Minutes.** The Committee voted that the officers be authorized to make such editorial corrections of the minutes as may be necessary, and that the final approval of the minutes be referred to a committee consisting of Dr. Diffendorfer, Dr. Franklin, and Mr. Moss.

58. **Adjournment.** The Meeting of the Committee of the Council was then adjourned with the benediction pronounced by the Chairman.

APPENDIX

INTERNATIONAL MISSIONARY COUNCIL

Balance Sheet as at December 31, 1928

ASSETS

Sundry Debtors:		
Foreign Missions Conference of North America 1928 Appropriation Balance	$5,000.00	
Deutscher Evangelischer Missionsbund 1928 Appropriation	501.40	
Société Belge de Missions Protestantes au Congo 1928 Appropriation	5.00	
International Review of Missions	675.88	
Oxford University Press	1,301.90	
Sundry Accounts Receivable	258.77	
		$7,742.95
Cash Overdraft		(1,110.37)
Total		$6,632.58

FUNDS AND LIABILITIES

Sundry Creditors:			
Jerusalem Conference Special Account Loan		$1,000.00	
Loan on Account of N. Y. Literature		5,500.00	
Expenses of Chairman's Office 1928		1,470.00	
Conference of Missionary Societies in Great Britain and Ireland		728.71	
Sundry Accounts Payable		478.08	
			$9,176.79
Balance of Funds as per Income and Expenditure Account:			
General Funds		$6,851.42	
African Mission Fund		86.60	
Budapest-Warsaw Conference		504.07	
		$7,442.09	
Overdrafts:			
N. Y. Literature	$6,766.43		
London Literature	3,219.87	9,986.30	(2,544.21)
Total			$6,632.58

May 15, 1929.

We have audited the books and vouchers of the International Missionary Council for the year ended December 31, 1928, and certify that the above balance sheet correctly reflects the Council's financial condition on December 31, 1928.

GOUGH & BACON,
(Signed) Ross M. Bacon,
Certified Public Accountant.

INTERNATIONAL MISSIONARY COUNCIL

Income and Expenditures for the Year Ending December 31, 1928

INCOME

Balance of General Funds as at Jan. 1, 1928		$1,921.29
Contributions Applicable to Budget Year ended December 31, 1927:		
Foreign Missions Conference of North America	$8,341.90	
Commissie van Advies (The Netherlands)	214.72	
		8,556.62
Contributions to Budget Year ended December 31, 1928:		
National Missionary Council of Australia	$72.75	
Société Belge de Missions Protestantes au Congo	5.00	
Dansk Missionsraad	345.50	
Deutscher Evangelischer Missionsbund	501.40	
Société de Missions Evangéliques de Paris	48.80	
Conference of Missionary Societies in Great Britain and Ireland	5,451.71	
Commissie van Advies (The Netherlands)	288.71	
National Missionary Council of New Zealand	38.40	
Norsk Missionsraad	488.00	
Foreign Missions Conference of North America	18,000.00	
Missionary Societies of South Africa	129.41	
Suomen Lähetysneuvosto	56.12	
Svenska Missionsradet	547.05	
Association of Missionary Societies in Switzerland	121.00	
Third Secretary's Fund	7,925.27	
		34,019.12
Bank Interest Exchange		46.40
Special Funds:		
Literature Receipts — New York Account	$12,563.65	
Literature Receipts — London Office	11,070.16	
African Mission Fund	97.82	
Institute of African Languages and Culture	1,514.05	
Budapest-Warsaw Conference	504.07	
		25,749.75
Total		$70,293.18

EXPENDITURES

Administration Expenses:			
Salaries of Secretaries		$13,675.67	
Salaries of Stenographers and Assistants		6,223.58	
Salaries of Business Office		1,034.57	
Rent Rates, Cleaning, Lighting, and Heating		4,263.55	
Stationery, Postage, Telephone, etc.		2,174.98	
			$27,372.35
Traveling Expenses of Secretaries			3,386.20
Traveling Expenses of Committee Members			68.32
Printing of Minutes and Sundries			496.93
Printing of Quarterly Notes			252.84
Contingencies			15.07
Jerusalem Conference 1928 Appropriation			3,645.00
International Review of Missions			985.30
Expenses of Chairman's Office			1,470.00
			$37,692.01
Special Funds:			
The Institute of African Languages and Culture		$1,514.05	
Literature Account — New York Office		19,330.08	
Literature Account — London Office		14,290.03	
African Mission Fund		11.22	
			35,145.38
			$72,837.39
Balance of Funds and Overdrafts:			
General Funds		$6,851.42	
African Mission Fund		86.60	
Budapest-Warsaw Conference		504.07	
		$7,442.09	
Deficit — N. Y. Literature	$6,766.43		
Deficit — London Literature	3,219.87		
		9,986.30	(2,544.21)
Total			$70,293.18

May 15, 1929.

We have compared the above Statement of Income and Expenditures for the year ended December 31, 1928, with the books and vouchers of the International Missionary Council and certify that it agrees therewith and is correctly stated.

GOUGH & BACON,
(Signed) Ross M. Bacon,
Certified Public Accountant.

INTERNATIONAL MISSIONARY COUNCIL

Budget Statement for Year Ending December 31, 1928

	Budget	Expenditures	Balance
Administration Expenses:			
Salaries of Secretaries	$14,800.00	$13,675.67	$1,124.33
Salaries of Stenographers and Assistants	7,872.00	6,223.58	1,643.42
Salaries of Business Office	990.00	1,034.57	(44.57)
Rent, Rates, Cleaning, Lighting and Heating	4,300.00	4,263.55	36.45
Stationery, Postage, Telephone, etc.	1,580.00	2,174.98	(594.98)
Total Administration Expenses	$29,542.00	$27,372.35	$2,169.65
Traveling Expenses of Secretaries	2,000.00	3,386.20	(1,386.20)
Traveling Expenses of Committee Members	1,000.00	68.32	931.68
Expenses of Chairman's Office	1,470.00	1,470.00	
Printing of Minutes and Sundries	300.00	496.93	(196.93)
Printing of Quarterly Notes	250.00	252.84	(2.84)
International Review of Missions	1,750.00	985.30	764.70
Contingent Fund	500.00	15.07	484.93
Total	$36,812.00	$34,047.01	$2,764.99
1928 Appropriation to the Jerusalem Conference	3,645.00	3,645.00	
Grand Total	$40,457.00	$37,692.01	$2,764.99

INTERNATIONAL REVIEW OF MISSIONS

Profit and Loss Account for the Year Ended 30th September, 1928

INCOME

Subscription sales received	£	s.	d.
Less — paid in advance:			
London	1,300	5	2½
New York	673	11	4½
Cash Sales	70	15	8½
	2,044	12	3½
Sales from Sundry Publications	...	..	..
Proceeds from Advertisements	156	12	10
Interest on Deposit Account	2	14	..
Loss for Year carried to Balance Sheet	201	18	1½
	£2,405	17	3

EXPENDITURES

	£	s.	d.
Advertising	62	4	..
Books and Magazines	10	12	4
Carriages and Postages on Reviews	198	7	3
Commission on Sales	224	4	6
Contributors' Fees	118	4	6
Miscellaneous	16	4	1
Miscellaneous Postages and Telegrams	33	12	4
Printing of the Review	711	19	3
Printing Intercession Paper less Sales	...	..	..
Rent	100	..	..
Salaries:			
Business and subscription office	183	6	3
Editorial	594	12	6
Stationery	21	7	11
Commission on Sales to New York Office to meet Sundry Office Expenditure	131	2	4
	£2,405	17	3

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1928

LIABILITIES

	£	s.	d.
I. Sundry Creditors:			
International Missionary Council	201	16	10½
Sundries	106	..	8
II. Subscriptions received in Advance	174	11	2½
III. Capital Account:			
Grant in Aid from the International Missionary Council £201 18 1½			
Less: Loss for year ended 30th September, 1928 £201 18 1½	...	..	..
	£482	8	9

ASSETS

	£	s.	d.
I. Sundry Debtors	264	3	5
II. Stock of Paper	8	3	7
III. Bank Balance:			
On Current Account with the Midland Bank, Ltd.	10	1	9
On Deposit Account	200	..	..
	£482	8	9

We have audited the Books and Accounts of *The International Review of Missions* for the year ended 30th September, 1928, and have found them properly stated and sufficiently vouched.

The foregoing Accounts set forth correctly the transactions for the year and the position as at 30th September, 1928.

MANN, JUDD, GORDON & Co.,
Chartered Accountants.

London, 15th November, 1928.

BASIS OF APPEAL FOR CONTRIBUTIONS

At the Jerusalem Meeting the following resolutions were adopted with reference to the financial support of the Council:

No. 60. "It was voted to invite the national missionary organizations which are now members of the Council to contribute to the budget of the International Missionary Council for 1928 on the basis adopted by the Council at its meeting at Oxford, 1926 (see Minute 25, No. 4, 5, and 7 of the Oxford Meeting), with the understanding that since the accounts are now kept in New York the sums are reckoned in United States dollars, but also that contributions may be paid either in sterling in London or in dollars in New York."

No. 61. "It was voted that the basis upon which the national missionary organizations and national Christian councils be invited to contribute to the budgets for 1929 and 1930 should be determined by the officers of the Council after they have received replies from the bodies which it is proposed to admit to membership of the Council."

The minute of the Oxford Meeting to which reference is made is as follows:

"That the proportion in which national missionary organizations in the sending countries shall be invited to contribute to the budget of the International Missionary Council correspond generally to the aggregate income for foreign missions, as defined below, received at home by the missionary societies coöperating in the national missionary organizations.

"It is recommended that the basis on which these national missionary organizations shall be invited to make contributions to the budget shall be the average (as shown in the last three published accounts) of the income received at home for foreign missions, expended during

AGGREGATE EXPENDITURES OF THE MISSIONARY SOCIETIES IN THE INTERNATIONAL

		1925	1926	1927	Average
Australia	£	332,886	332,886	285,701	317,158
Belgium	Fr.	90,135	145,684	145,684[1]	127,168
Denmark	Kr.	2,521,000	2,131,106	2,021,713	2,224,606
Finland (3 Societies)	M.	4,990,038	5,599,421	6,170,506	5,586,655
France	Fr.	2,799,000	2,320,796	3,835,834	2,985,210
Germany	M.	3,799,158	4,320,000	5,728,059	4,615,739
Great Britain	£	2,180,541	2,326,243	2,349,502	2,285,429
Latin America	$	.....	.....	.....	3,332,591[4]
Netherlands	Fl.	1,327,961	1,346,210	1,385,317	1,353,163
New Zealand	£	97,118	95,000	95,000	95,706
U. S. A. and Canada[5]	$	38,927,339	35,000,000[2]	31,346,972	35,091,437
Norway	Kr.	4,102,556	3,894,000	3,894,000[1]	3,963,518
Sweden	Kr.	3,863,943	3,859,374	3,847,327	3,856,881
Switzerland	Fr.	1,499,335	1,141,568	1,594,925	1,411,943
South Africa	£	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000

[1] 1926 figures.

[2] The North American Conference collects its statistics for the year 1926 to show the total income of the Missionary Boards represented in the Conference received from "Living Donors" amounting to $32,689,084. With this figure as a basis the above estimate of $35,000,000 aggregate income has been made.

each year as covered by the budget or supplementary budgets, exclusive of sums spent on work among peoples professing the Christian religion, and exclusive of abnormal expenditure on property."

"That the several national organizations in the sending countries be invited to contribute such a proportionate fraction of the average income as ascertained above as may be required to meet each year's budget."

In accordance with these recommendations the following table has been prepared. Sufficient time has not elapsed since the Jerusalem Meeting for the national organizations invited by the Jerusalem Meeting to become members of the Council to reply regarding the financial contributions which they will make to the Council. The national organizations, now members of the Council, but not listed in the following table, are China, Congo, India, Japan, Korea, Netherlands, India, Philippine Islands, and Western Asia and Northern Africa. It is hoped that each of these will make some contribution during the current year of 1929 on behalf of the younger churches in these countries.

Next year a table may be made showing the proportionate share of all the members of the Council in the financial support of the Council. For the year 1929, it is suggested that the budget be divided among the national organizations as shown in this table.

COÖPERATING IN THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS REPRESENTED MISSIONARY COUNCIL

Rates of Exchange at par	Average Aggregate Expense Reduced to Dollars	Percentage of Total	Paid in 1928	Suggested National Shares of I. M. C. Budget 1929 [1]
4.86⅝	$1,543,370.12	.....	$72.75	$250.00
.0278	3,535.27	.00006	5.00	2.37
.268	596,194.41	.01096	345.50	432.92
.025185	140,699.91	.00259	56.12	102.30
.0391¾	116,945.60	.00212	48.80	83.74
.238	1,098,545.88	.02020	501.40	797.90
4.86⅝	11,121,468.87	.20440	5,451.71	8,073.80
.....	3,332,591.00 [4]	.06125	.....	2,419.38
.402	543,971.53	.01000	288.71	395.00
4.86⅝	465,729.32	.....	38.40	100.00
.....	35,091,437.00	.64490	18,000.00	25,473.55
.268	1,062,222.82	.01952	488.00	771.04
.268	1,033,644.11	.01900	547.05	750.50
.193	272,505.00	.00500	121.00	197.50
4.86⅝	486,625.00	.....	129.41	150.00
	$56,909,485.84	1.00000	$26,093.85	$40,000.00

[1] In estimating proportions, it is suggested that Australia, New Zealand and South Africa will contribute a total of $500. The remainder of the budget, $39,500 is then divided proportionately among the other national organizations.

[4] These figures for Latin America are the expenditures of the Mission Boards represented in the Committee on Coöperation in Latin America, and they are the average for the five years, 1920–25, compiled in 1926, and are the latest for this area. [5] Exclusive of expenditures in Latin America.

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